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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449, as well as copies of the listed documents.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of the International Search Report for PCT application PCT/US01/00300 that corresponds to the above-referenced application. Accordingly, no fee is believed required.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims, and signs the enclosed form PTO-1449 to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application.


By submitting this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicants make no representation that: (1) a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist; (2) the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b); and (3) the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his/her own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information. An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-632 (Cura 132).

Respectfully submitted,

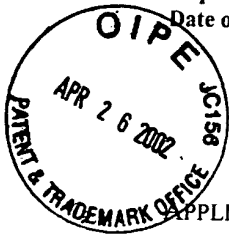
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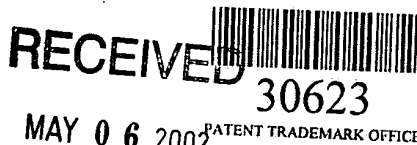
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), in duplicate;
2. Modified Form 1449/PTO (1 page) in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references A7, B3 and C12; and
4. Return Postcard

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No fee is believed to be due at this time. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-632 (Cura 132). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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